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17th A.D. UPDATE: WILL CALIF. REIMBURSE MIKE MACHADO FOR THE COST OF THE RECENT RECALL?

Editor's note: This week we'll take a look at whether or not Assemblyman Mike Machado (D-Linden) will be able to recover the money he raised and spent to defend himself from the unsuccessful Aug. 22nd recall. Here's our update & analysis...

...According to Article II, Section 18, if the subject of a recall defeats the recall, then that person can request reimbursement from the State for "*personal and legal*" expenses. Since this part of the CA Constitution was written long before campaigns became such complex and costly affairs, one has to wonder how the courts or members of the legislature will view "personal and legal" expenses...

...But in order for Machado to get reimbursed, he must first apply to the Board of Control, which considers claims for money or damages against the State. The 3-member board consists of Controller Kathleen Connell, Director of General Services Peter Stamison and public member Ms. Bennie O'Brien. But even if the Board of Control were to approve Machado's claim, they don't have the money to reimburse him. The board would have to go to the legislature --- and a bill would have to be signed by Gov. Wilson. Are you beginning to see the complications???

...Anyway, Machado has hired attorney Lance Olson to help guide him. FYI: our sources tell us that if the State reimburses Machado for the full amount, the Demo lawmaker plans to use part of the money to reimburse San Joaquin Co. for the cost of the recall...

...FYI: the newest nasty fax to make its way around the State: **THE BOWLER WATCH**. It's a hit aimed at recall supporter, Assemblyman Larry Bowler (R). The headline says, "Bowler Throws a 7-10 Split." Part of

the text says, "*A primary challenge is in the works, so start sweating. A real conservative will beat you. Someone who talks and votes the same line, someone who won't support Petey for Pres.*" Sources think The Bowler Watch comes from GOPers in San Joaquin Co. or perhaps from allies of Assemblyman Bernie Richter (R-Chico). Stay tuned...

CALPEEK TO TAKE LABOR DAY WEEK VACATION.

We need a little vacation time, so we'll be off the week of Sept. 4th. That means NO newsletter the week of Sept. 11th. Our next issue will be dated Sept. 18th. Despite this short notice, we'll still get a call or two from *hooked* subscribers saying, "We didn't get our CALPEEK." Prozac is no substitute...

WHITE HOUSE RUN: A YEAR FROM THIS LABOR DAY, U.S. WILL HAVE POTOMAC FEVER -- BIG TIME.

Editor's note: Labor Day usually marks the kickoff of the Fall Election season. Here's an analysis of where CALPEEK sees the GOP Presidential race, with an emphasis on Calif. and Gov. Pete Wilson...

...The Aug. 4-7 Gallup/CNN/USA Today nationwide poll among 555 GOP voters shows Bob Dole way out in front with 46%, followed by Pat Buchanan at 10%, Phil Gramm at 9%, Pete Wilson & Lamar Alexander at 4% each, Arlen Specter at 3%, Richard Lugar & Alan Keyes at 2% each, Bob Dornan at 1%, with undecided at 19%. FYI: our sources say Dornan will seek reelection to his Orange Co. congressional seat, meaning he'll bow out of the presidential race within a matter of weeks...

...Looking at *Calif.*, the surprising thing is that only Wilson and Gramm have a major presence in the Golden State. That's not to say the others haven't been here --- digging for fundraising gold. They have. But

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in terms of building an organization, it's the Pete & Phil Show. Wilson's operation is based in Sacto (916) 564-1996, while Gramm's Calif. HQ is temporarily based in San Diego, at the office of consultant Bob Schuman (619)459-3900. FYI: San Mateo businessman/GOP fundraiser Sam Bamieh has signed on with the Alexander campaign as nat'l finance chair...

...With his tie vote with Dole in the Iowa Straw Poll, Gramm's campaign has been on roll as of late. Fund-raising is up and sources say Gramm has cash in the bank to fund the first 16 GOP primaries/caucuses. And Gramm's supporters in CA registered some victories of their own. With Curt Pringle as the new GOP Assembly Leader and Rob Hurtt as the new GOP Senate Leader (and don't forget GOP Assembly Speaker Doris Allen), Gov. Wilson is looking at a trio of CA GOP legislative leaders who are openly hostile toward his presidential bid. That wasn't the case 3 weeks ago, when Jim Brulte, as GOP Assembly Leader, and Ken Maddy, as GOP Senate Leader, were in power. Both were strong Wilson allies...

...What's the Wilson White House strategy for the next several months? His team thinks they have a shot at **Florida** (Jacksonville was on Wilson's 8-state Liberty Tour) where there will be another straw poll sometime in November. Also targeted are the **New England states**, where sources say MA, Maine & Vermont are all headed for the same primary election date, meaning a Yankee Primary. Another Wilson target is **Arizona**, but our sources think that's Gramm turf...

...FYI: On the attack against Wilson are CA Demos and GOP presidential rival Alexander. Alexander's media consultant, Mike Murphy, has produced a radio hit ad which goes after Pete on taxes and his promise to CA voters that he would not run for president. The radio ad is playing in New Hampshire. Stay tuned...

DON KNABE TO DISCUSS STATUS OF L.A. COUNTY.

Don Knabe, COS to L.A. Co. Sup. Deane Dana, will discuss the status of the county, 11:30 a.m. reception, 12 noon lunch, Sept. 20, The Inter-Continental Hotel, downtown L.A. For info & RSVPs, ☎ Mona Stafford at WMA (310)496-2257. This event is host by Women In Public Affairs(WIPA)...

67th A.D. RECALL: CORRECTING THE NUMBERS.

There seems little doubt that if the anti-Allen forces get the resources they need, then they will qualify their recall against GOP Assembly Speaker Doris Allen by the Nov. 30th deadline. But there is some doubt as to whether the recall committee will gather the required 25,606 valid signatures by Sept. 28th. That's the last day to qualify the recall --- *if the election is to be held in 1995*. If it goes past this date, then Gov. Wilson would probably consolidate the recall with the Mar. 26th primary election. As of 8/29, the Registrar had verified 17,949 valid signatures. This is an important number, because the L.A. Times/Orange Co. edition on Sunday (8/27) printed the recall cmt.'s number --- a *projection estimated* at 20,659. FYI: in addition to the 17,949, the registrar received another 1,794 over a two-day period (8/28 and 8/29). These newest names have not been verified. But even if you assume that 88% of them are valid (bringing the total to 19,527), that still leaves you *below* 20,000. Stay tuned...

ROB HURTT OUSTS A SURPRISED KEN MADDY AS SENATE GOP LEADER. HARDLINERS IN CONTROL.

Editor's note: While everyone was totally focused on the over-hyped introduction of Windows 95 on Aug. 24th, State Sen. Rob Hurtt of Garden Grove ousted Ken Maddy(R-Fresno) as the GOP Senate Leader. Here's our update & analysis...

...Almost from the day he arrived in Sacto, Hurtt made no secret of his desire to lead the Republicans. And given the conservative makeup of the GOP Senate Caucus, it was only a matter of time. Maddy, nor anyone else outside of a very small group of Hurtt's allies, knew anything about the coup. When it was over, the vote was 9-7, with new State Sen. Ross Johnson abstaining...

...Lined up for Hurtt were Haynes, Johannessen, Lewis, Monteith, Rogers, Leonard, Russell and Leslie. In the Maddy camp were Beverly, Campbell, Craven, Kelley, Mountjoy and Wright. In previous showdowns, both Russell and Leslie had been with Maddy, but not this time. As for Johnson, he was as surprised as Maddy and was not in on the coup, even though he's close to Hurtt...

...What does Hurtt's election mean for the GOP?

There's no doubt that Hurtt is a *hardline conservative*

and many describe Hurtt as being part of the religious right. Politically, the Demos might be able to use that effectively in 1996, especially with moderate GOP women voters and independents. On the other hand, now that Hurtt is GOP Senate Leader, he'll probably use lots of his own money to back GOP candidates...

...But what kind of GOP candidates will Hurtt back? One source close to Hurtt said the new leader is savvy enough to back moderates, when the situation requires a moderate. But other sources think Hurtt's biggest problem has been his past meddling in GOP primaries, backing hardline conservatives over moderates in both the State Senate and Assembly. And in that respect, this is not good for Republicans...

...FYI: taken by complete surprise: Gov. Pete Wilson. Maddy was Wilson's top legislative ally. Stay tuned...

CCRI UPDATE: COPY CAT MEASURE STILL AROUND.

Editor's note: At one point there were at least two(2) initiatives in the works that had similar language to the original CCRI measure, currently at the AG's office for Title & Summary. Now there's just one. Here's an update about the battle over affirmative action...

...An initiative by Gene Thompson called "Prohibition Against Discrimination or Preferential Treatment by State," is, by all accounts, dead meat. It just doesn't have the resources to qualify by its Nov. 13th deadline. But the other measure which bans the State, counties and cities from using race, color, age, religion, gender, ethnicity or national origin as a criterion for giving preferential treatment for public employment, public education or public contracting --- it's still alive. The new official title of this measure is "Prohibition on Preferential Treatment by Public Agencies." The group behind this plan is Californians for Equal Opportunity...

...Here's what's of interest. A source for CEO claims that his group has had discussions with a representative from the CA Republican Party(CRP) --- with the CRP trying to get this group to drop its initiative and throw in with CCRI. CALPEEK has verified that some discussions have taken place, but there's been no merger as yet. At any rate, with its new ballot title, CEO now has until Jan. 24, 1996, to gather 693,230 valid signatures to qualify for the November 1996 ballot. Will they make it? Unless they've got a ton of money, no way...

CAMPAIGN '96: ADDING MORE NAMES TO THE MIX.

Editor's note: Here's another update on who's IN and who's OUT for 1996 Legislative and U.S. House races...

☒ **27th S.D.** - GOP senatorial candidate Frank Colonna of Long Beach reports total contributions of \$74,659, with COH of \$46,079...

☒ **39th S.D.** - Considered critical to both side in '96, incumbent State Sen. Lucy Killea(I-San Diego) is term-ed out, thus setting the stage for a barn burner. The big question is whether Demo Assemblywoman Dede Alpert is going to run. She hasn't said --- one way or another. On the GOP side, Rancho Santa Fe businessman Steve Francis has loaned himself \$300,000 to get things rolling. He's the owner of American Mobile Healthcare. Another GOPer whose name has surfaced is businessman Joe Dolphin...

☒ **78th A.D.** - In this district now represented by Alpert (who is term-ed out in '96), there are two Demos and two GOPers in the field so far. The Demos are Asst. AG Howard Wayne and Dr. Lou Mone, who heads a group called Health Reform NOW. Mone has hired The Primacy Group to run his campaign. On the GOP side, former Assemblywoman Tricia Hunter has set her sights on this seat in a comeback bid. Her main opponent is former San Diego Councilman Bruce Henderson --- who lost his council seat, then a bid to become city attorney and in 1994 decided (foolishly) to challenge Alpert. But Henderson has loaned himself \$90,000 and has COH of \$105,000...

☒ **9th A.D.** - With Assemblyman Phil Isenberg(D-Sacto) term-ed out in '96, the Demos have recruited Sacto Councilman Deborah Ortiz...

☒ **15th A.D.** - There are three(3) GOPers in the race to replace Assemblyman Richard Rainey(R), who will run for Dan Boatwright's state senate seat in 1996. The 3 GOPers are John Coleman, deputy director of the CA Conservation Corps; Lynne Leach and Erlene DeMarcus. Coleman, who also serves as a director of East Bay MUD, is probably the favorite at this point. FYI: retired State Sen. John A. Nejedly is the honorary chair of Coleman's campaign...

U.S. REP. CARLOS MOORHEAD ANNOUNCES HIS RETIREMENT. MAD AREA-WIDE SCRAMBLE IS ON.

Editor's note: As had been expected for many months, 12-term U.S. Rep. Carlos Moorhead(R-Glendale) has pulled the plug and officially announced his retirement. Moorhead's announcement is expected to set off a huge political scramble in the 27th C.D. and surrounding area. Here is our update & analysis...

...Over the last few years, Moorhead's 27th C.D. has undergone a big shakeup in terms of registration, with the entire San Gabriel Valley area now being in what you'd call a *toss up* situation. It's no longer slam-dunk GOP turf. Until 1992, it was always an easy reelection for Moorhead. In '92, unknown Demo Doug Kahn held Moorhead to 49.7% with a budget of about \$100,000. In 1994, Kahn ran once more and while losing in a big GOP year, Moorhead got only 52%. With a Republican majority for the first time in 25 years in the 104th congress, insiders thought Moorhead looked like he was in a perfect spot to be a committee chair, but soon-to-be Speaker Newt Gingrich had other ideas. So when Moorhead was passed over for two committee chairmanships, the rumors began to spread about his retirement...

...Several hours after Moorhead's announcement, GOP Assemblyman James Rogan of Glendale said he would run for Moorhead's job. An official announcement by Rogan is expected in early October. At this point, Rogan is the "GOP establishment candidate" for the 27th C.D. Others already in the race include Demos Barry Gordon and Kahn (once again); plus Libertarian Elizabeth Michael. Moorhead said he would endorse Rogan at a later date. And while Rogan is considered by insiders to be a slight favorite to hold this seat for the GOP, it's by no means a sure bet...

...Rogan's announcement means his 43rd A.D. will be open and it's expected that Assemblyman Bill Hoge(R-Pasadena) will give up his 44th A.D. to run for the open 21st S.D. job of Newt Russell of Glendale, who is *termed out* in '96. So we'll have 4 OPEN seats in this geographic area that takes in Glendale, Burbank, Pasadena, San Marino, La Canada and Sunland-Tujunga. And the complete line-up of who's running and where isn't known just yet, especially on the Demo side...

...FYI: CALPEEK sources are absolutely sure that GOP Assemblywoman Paula Boland of Northridge will move so that she can challenge Hoge in the GOP primary for Russell's 21st S.D. With all the negative publicity Hoge has received as of late, sources think Boland will have a better than even shot at winning if she can get past the charges of *carpetbagging*. Regardless of who wins the primary, new Senate GOP Leader Rob Hurr will have to pump in big bucks to win. Stay tuned...

NEW JOBS, ADDRESSES AND PERSONNEL NOTICES.

Editor's note: Here are some items to mark down in your notebook...

- Lt. Gov. Gray Davis(D) has named Kathleen Hamilton as his Deputy COS, based in Sacto. Davis also named Stevan Allen as his press secretary, also based in Sacto...
- Pollster David Binder moves his office to 44 Page Street, Ste. 401, San Francisco, CA 94102. Same ☛...
- Sheila Gonzaga has joined L.A.-based Marathon Communications, Inc., as an associate...

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